

What is claimed is:

1. A method of treating preeclampsia comprising  
administering to a patient a therapeutically effective dosage of  
metolazone.  
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2. The method of treating of claim 1 including,  
employing as said dosage a dosage which is less than a diuretic dose.
3. The method of treating of claim 2 including,  
10 administering said dosage orally.
4. The method of treating of claim 2 including,  
administering said dosage in solid dose form.
- 15 5. The method of treating of claim 1 including,  
effecting said treatment without adversely affecting the fetus.
6. The method of treating of claim 1 including,  
effecting said treatment without substantial volume reduction in  
20 intravascular extracellular fluid.
7. The method of treating of claim 1 including,  
administering as said dosage of metolazone about 0.04 mg/kg  
bodyweight.  
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8. The method of treating of claim 7 including,  
repeating said treatment periodically.
9. The method of treating of claim 8 including  
30 administering said treatment about every 24 hours.

10. The method of treating of claim 1 including,  
employing said method on a human being.
11. The method of treating of claim 1 including  
administering as said dosage about 2 to 2.5 mg/day.